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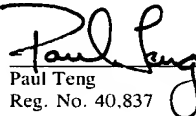
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A Notice of Allowance was issued December 29, 2003 by the U.S. Patent Office in connection with the subject application. This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, pursuant to the applicant's duty of disclosure, in order to bring the information listed in the attached Form PTO-1449 to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the information identified herein are also provided.

It is respectfully requested that the information cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner in connection with the above-identified patent application, and that such art be made of record in said application.

The citation of the listed items is not a representation that they constitute a complete or exhaustive listing of the relevant art or that these items are prior art. The items listed are

submitted in good faith, but are not intended to substitute for the Examiner's search. It is hoped, however, that in addition to apprising the Examiner of the particular items, they will assist in identifying fields of search and in making as full and complete a search as possible.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is not an admission that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement and to credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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